

**Listing of Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1-7 (cancelled).

8 (currently amended). A method of converting a web site accessed by a plurality of users from client-based storage client computing device based storage of user specific information to central storage of user specific information comprising the acts of:

selecting a ~~group~~ subset of said plurality of users of the web site based on an identifier associated with each user;

copying ~~data~~ the user specific information from each of the selected user's client computing ~~devices~~ device to a central storage location; and

providing a web page to the computing device of each of the selected ~~group of~~ users in the subset based on the copied ~~data~~ user specific information stored in said central storage location.

9 (currently amended). The method of claim 8, wherein the act of selecting a ~~group~~ subset of said plurality of users comprises:

computing a hash value of each user's associated identifier; and  
determining, for each user, whether the hash value meets predetermined criteria.

10 (original). The method of claim 9, wherein the act of determining whether a hash value meets predetermined criteria comprises comparing the hash value to a preset value.

11 (original). The method of claim 10, wherein the act of comparing the hash value to a preset value comprises determining whether the hash value is less than the preset value.

12 (currently amended). The method of claim 8, further comprising the act of:

setting an indication for each user for whom data user specific information has been copied to the central storage location.

13 (currently amended). The method of claim 12, further comprising the act of: maintaining, for each one of the selected users, a mirror copy of that user's centrally-stored data user specific information at the user's client computing device.

14 (currently amended). The method of claim 8, further comprising the acts of: deselecting one of the selected users; providing a web page to the de-selected user without using the copy of the deselected user's data user specific information stored at the central storage location.

15-25 (cancelled).

26 (original). A system for providing a web site comprising:  
a first computing device which provides a web page to a plurality of second computing devices, each of said second computing devices being communicatively connected to said first computing device, said first computing device providing a customized version of said web page to each of said second computing devices based on customization information associated with each of said second computing devices, each of said second computing devices storing its respective customization information;  
a data store which stores corresponding customization information for at least some of said second computing devices;  
a throttle module which selects certain ones of said second computing devices for storage of their respective customization information in said data store; and  
a migration module which copies the customization information from the selected ones of said second computing devices to said data store.

27 (currently amended). The system of claim 26, further comprising:

a customization module which customizes the web page for each of the second computing devices, wherein the customization is based on customization information stored in the data store for the selected ones of the second computing devices, and wherein the customization is based on customization information stored at the respective second computing devices for the non-selected ones of the second computing devices.

28 (original). The system of claim 26, wherein each of said second computing devices is associated with an identifier, and wherein said system further comprises:

a hashing module which hashes the identifier for each of said second computing devices,

wherein said throttle module receives a value from said hashing module and selects certain ones of said second computing devices based on the received value.

29 (original). The system of claim 26, wherein each of said second computing devices is associated with an identifier, and wherein said system further comprises:

a throttle value storage location;

wherein said throttle module selects certain ones of said second computing devices based on the value stored at the throttle value storage location and further based on the identifiers associated with the respective second computing devices.

30 (original). The system of claim 26, wherein said throttle module selects said certain ones of said second computing devices in a predetermined proportion to the total number of second computing devices.

31-32 (cancelled).

33 (currently amended). A computer-readable medium having a tangible component encoded with computer-executable instructions to perform a method of for converting a web site, accessed by a plurality of users, from client-based storage client computer based storage

of user specific information to central storage of users specific information, ~~the method~~ comprising instructions to:

~~selecting~~ select a group of users of the web site based on an identifier associated with each user;

~~copying~~ copy data from each of the selected user's client ~~computing devices~~ computer to a central storage location; and

~~providing~~ provide a web page to each of the selected group of users based on the copied data stored in said central storage location.

34 (currently amended). The computer-readable medium of claim 33, wherein ~~the act~~ of ~~selecting~~ said instructions to select a group of users comprises instructions to:

~~computing~~ compute a hash value of each user's associated identifier; and

~~determining~~ determine, for each user, whether the hash value meets predetermined criteria.

35 (currently amended). The computer-readable medium of claim 34, wherein ~~the act~~ of ~~determining~~ said instructions to determine whether a hash value meets predetermined criteria comprises comparing the hash value to a preset value.

36 (currently amended). The computer-readable medium of claim 35, wherein ~~the act~~ of ~~comparing~~ said instructions to compare the hash value to a preset value comprises ~~determining~~ instructions to determine whether the hash value is less than the preset value.

37 (currently amended). The computer-readable medium of claim 33, ~~wherein the method further comprises~~ comprising instructions to:

~~setting~~ set an indication for each user for whom data has been copied to the central storage location.

38 (currently amended). The computer-readable medium of claim 37, ~~wherein the method further comprises~~ further comprising instructions to:

~~maintaining~~ maintain, for one of the selected users, a mirror copy of that user's centrally-stored data at the user's client ~~computing device~~ computer.

39 (currently amended). The computer-readable medium of claim 33, ~~wherein the method further comprises~~ further comprising instructions to:

~~deselecting~~ deselect one of the selected users;

~~providing~~ provide a web page to the de-selected user without using the copy of the user's data stored at the central storage location.